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TOPIC Tank and Motor Vehicle Repair Shop in Vetschau

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REMARKS

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1. On 4 September 1951, the tank repair shop in Vetschau dispatched seven T-34/85 tanks in the direction of Cottbus. On the same day, nine other tanks of undetermined type were completed in the workshop. Seven tanks with JS tank chassis and covered by tarpaulins were seen in the yard of the installation. Three SP guns, presumably of type JSU-122, were standing in an open wooden shed. Another SP gun of the same type was seen by the side of the shed. *

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2. [redacted] the tank repair shop is headed by Lieutenant Colonel Mosquiten (sic). Colonel Mokhin (fnu), the former chief of the installation, was replaced three weeks before after the discovery of black market operations in fuel and tires. Nikolai Andrevich was the political officer of the unit assigned to the repair shop. About 40 soldiers were employed at the installation. **

3. About 50 trucks were observed at the motor vehicle repair shop south of the LC machine factory. *

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4. [redacted] Major Maximenko (fnu) was chief of the motor vehicle repair shop which employed 20 Russian mechanics. An additional 20 men are employed as office and kitchen personnel.

* [redacted] Comment. A Soviet tank repair shop immediately north of the railroad station and a motor vehicle repair shop just south of the railroad station, in paragraph 3, are located in Vetschau (N 52/A 37). The tank repair shop has a railroad connection. Both workshops appeared to be installations of the 9th Mecz Div of the Third Gds Mecz Army. They are of local importance only.

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** [redacted] Comment. A Major Mukhin (fnu) was mentioned in former reports from Vetschau; this major is believed to be identical with the previous chief of the tank repair shop, Colonel Mokhin (fnu). Lieutenant Colonel Mosquiten (fnu), the now chief of the tank repair shop, and Nikolai Andrevich, the political officer of the workshop unit.

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are reported for the first time. Major Maximenko (fnu), mentioned in paragraph 4, was previously known as chief of the motor vehicle repair shop.

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